

Grade 3 News

Term 1, 2017



Welcome back for 2017!

What a fantastic beginning to the school year for 2017. The first week back commenced with our 'Start Right at Regency' program which fostered all students building relationships with their teachers and peers as well as establishing connections to their learning in the classroom and as a whole school. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting year in Year 3!

Diaries

Diaries are a great way to communicate messages to and from school. Please ensure the diary is returned to school each day in your child's green bag. Please check the diary daily as this is where we will communicate with you if needed. If you need to make a time to see your child's teacher, please write a note in the diary and we will schedule it as soon as possible. Nightly reading will also be recorded in the diary.

Absences on Compass

Don't forget that if your child is absent from school for any reason it is a requirement that you log the absence on Compass. Please refer to your Compass log in details. Please come and see the office if you need any assistance.



Dates to remember

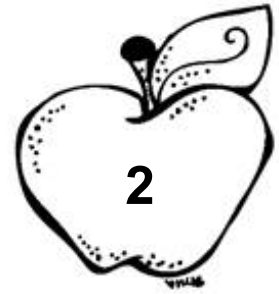
Information Night - 6pm - 6:45pm, 22nd

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Year 3 Camp - 20th and 21st March



Play is the Way

This year our school will continue to implement the Play is the Way program. Students will participate in a wide variety of games and activities aimed at developing and improving social and emotional skills. These will form part of our weekly program.

The games and activities throughout these sessions are designed to:

Develop positive social behaviour.

Highlight the benefits of managing emotions and working together.

Develop optimism and the ability to bounce back.

Encourage self-motivation and the capacity to persevere.

Provide fun, excitement and challenge.

This term we will be focusing on:

'Treat others as you would like to be treated'



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Inquiry

This term students will explore themes related to Social Justice through our unit "In Their Shoes". Students will look at ideas of what is fair and unfair and how our society assists those who are disadvantaged. We will be working on developing empathy for those with needs different to ourselves, and how to address injustice when and where we see it occur.

Reading

Reading is a fantastic skill and one best supported by regular practise at home. In Year 3 the expectation is that students will read independently for 15mins per night, 5 nights per week to be documented in the diary by your child and initialled or signed by a parent. Please discuss the book your child is reading with them regularly to develop good retell and comprehension skills.



**Thank You, Megan Forster, Carolyn Gardner,
Kerry Walton and Indy Wheelton**